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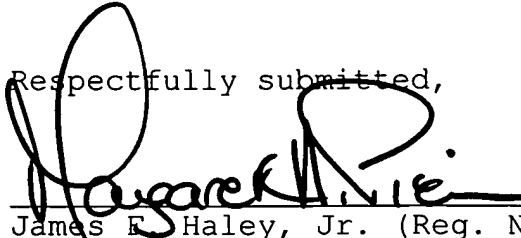
COMMUNICATION

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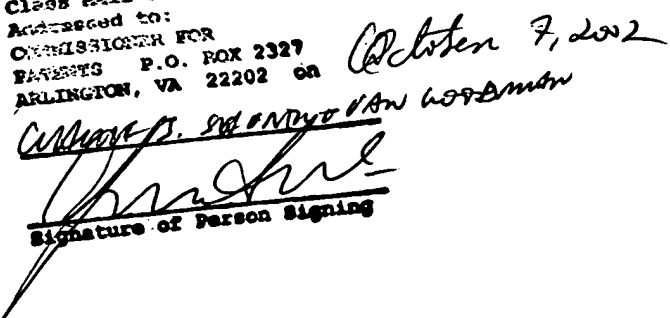
On October 1, 2002, applicants filed an Amendment and Reply, along with an accompanying Declaration of Bhami C. Shenoy under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132. The declaration as filed was a facsimile copy of the original. Applicants submit herewith the original executed Declaration of Bhami C. Shenoy, Ph.D., together with Exhibits 1-6.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fee required in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of the accompanying Transmittal letter setting forth that authorization is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith: [X] Communication; [X]
Original executed Declaration of Bhami C. Shenoy and
Exhibits 1-6; to be filed in the above-identified
application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

[X] A fee for additional claims is not required.

[] A fee for additional claims is required.

The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

ADDITIONAL	CLAIMS	HIGHEST		PRESENT	RATE		FEES
	REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	NUMBER	PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA		
TOTAL CLAIMS	0	-	0* = 0	X	\$ 9 =		\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	0	-	0** = 0	X	\$ 42 =		\$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$140 =		\$ 0.00

* If less than 20, insert 20.

TOTAL \$ 0.00

** If less than 3, insert 3.

[] A check in the amount of \$_____ in payment of the filing fee is transmitted herewith.

[X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.16, in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

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EXTENSION FEE

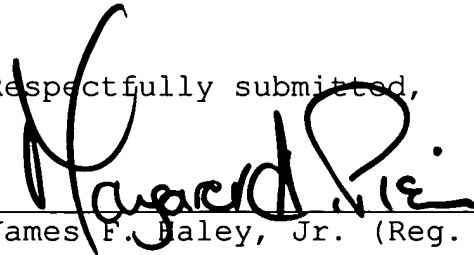
[] The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith; [] \$55.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$200.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$460.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$720.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); \$980.00 within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

[] A check in the amount of [] \$55.00; [] \$200.00; [] \$460.00; [] \$720.00; [] \$980.00 in payment of the extension fee is transmitted herewith.

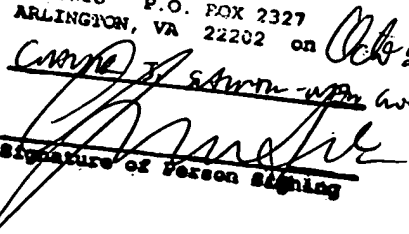
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